

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116** EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **EXAMINING GROUP 1636 PATENT** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

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## **RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **Introductory Comments**

This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 12/02/03. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and submit the following in support thereof. Please amend the application as follows:

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